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Dear Assistant Commissioner:

Applicant hereby petitions to make this application special because of actual infringement.

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Accompanying this petition is:

Declaration by Attorney in Support of Petition to Make Special Because (a) of Actual Infringement.

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Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 10-30-03

Allan W. Watts Reg. No. 45,930

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I, Allan W. Watts, Reg. No. 45,930, of Snell & Wilmer L.L.P., One Arizona Center, 400 E. Van Buren, Phoenix, Arizona 85004-2202, (602) 382-6267, am the attorney for the Applicant in this case and make the following declarations:

Inventor James Labelle reported to me that in about October of 2003 he became aware of, among others, websites www.mexadventure.com and www.discoverbajaonline.com that appear to infringe the pending claims for the above patent application. Mr. Labelle informed me that the operators of these websites had been in business with him or he had been in negotiation with them to form a business relationship when they apparently decided to copy his invention and exploit it without sharing profits with Mr. Labelle or the assignee of the above patent. These infringers are in competition with the assignee and are currently taking business away from the assignee.

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I have reviewed the above websites, pages from which are attached. In my opinion, claims of the pending application are unquestionably infringed. These include claims 1-4, 12-15, 20, and 22.

A search of the prior art was filed on February 14, 2003. To my knowledge, none of the pending claims are anticipated or obviated by the prior art identified in the search. In addition, inventor James Labelle has conducted a careful and thorough search of the prior art by reviewing various insurance distribution websites. Thus, Mr. Labelle has a very good knowledge of the pertinent prior art, and has indicated to me that prior to the filing of the present patent application, other's websites did not teach the limitations of the pending claims.

I declare further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application of or any patent issued thereon.

Allan W. Watts, Reg. No. 45,930

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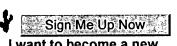
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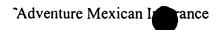
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